



Gap 3722  
RECEIVED

FEB 08 1999

Group 8700

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 2001P1/236001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Bennett et al. Art Unit: 3723  
Serial No.: 09/003,315 Examiner: Eley, T.  
Filed : January 6, 1998  
Title : POLISHING PAD HAVING A GROOVED PATTERN FOR USE IN  
A CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING APPARATUS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

#7 / Election  
2/17/99  
EB

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Responsive to the Examiner's action mailed December 30, 1998, Applicants elect the invention of Species IV, drawn to the embodiment of Figure 8.

Claims 1-3 and 8-12 read on Species III, IV and V. Claims 4-5 read on Species III. Claims 6-7 read on Species IV and V. Claim 13 reads on Species IV. The election is made without traverse. However, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the restriction and examine the claims that read on Species III, IV and V, as this would not constitute a burdensome search.

Applicants also note that an IDS was filed on July 16, 1998. If the Examiner does not have a copy of this IDS, please contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to ensure that the IDS is considered before issuance of an Office Action.

Date of Deposit 1/29/99  
I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Maide C. Sanchez

Maide C. Sanchez



RECEIVED

FEB 08 1999

Group 3700

Please charge any fees due in connection with this

response to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1/29/99

David J. Goren  
David J. Goren  
Reg. No. 34,609

Fish & Richardson P.C.  
2200 Sand Hill Road, Suite 100  
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Telephone: 650/322-5070  
Facsimile: 650/854-0875

Correspondence Address:

Patent Counsel  
Applied Materials, Inc.  
Legal Affairs Department  
P.O. Box 450A  
Santa Clara, CA 95052

102970.PAL